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COWLEY GRANGE,
OXFORD.

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Dear Professor Thompson,

I hope you may think our acquaintance sufficient to justify me in asking a question of a personal, and therefore in some degree of a confidential, nature.

We propose putting the electric light into Christ Church; several Oxford Colleges are already thus lighted. We suppose our course of proceeding should be to get an Electrical Engineer

to recommend, & I would gladly & by your advice, but I am only one of a Committee.

Yours sincerely

A. Vernon Harcourt.

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to inspect our buildings
and to form a plan and
an estimate and to report
to us; that we should then
get some firm to tender for
the work which would be
done under the superintendance
of the Engineer. Is this right?

Now I come to my personal
question. Do you know a
Mr x Morgan Williams, who has
been employed as Electrical
Engineer by one of the Colleges,
and, if so, do you think him
as good a man (with plenty
of knowledge, capable, trustworthy,
& reasonable in his charges,)
as we could get? I believe
his charge was £15 for a
preliminary Report, & 5% on
the amount expended, with
expenses out of pocket.

Another man who I think
might do well for us is
W. A. Price. I know him to
be very capable but do not
know what experience he
has had. You may have